

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 15, 2015, 6:00 p.m, Old Schoolhouse Common

Present: Selectboard members Chris Martin and Andy Perchlik; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Greg Western (Cross Vermont Trail Association); Jon Groveman (Marshfield Planning Commission); Sarah McShane (Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission)

At 6:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Chair Andrew Perchlik

Cross Vermont Trail: Greg Western explained that the CVTA has a signed landowner agreement for the Silverstein property to allow for maintenance of the trail. At an earlier meeting the Selectboard suggested that he present a sample landowner agreement for the town sand pit. CVTA would be willing to put signs and a pedestrian/bike path bypass to allow people to use the sand pit for non-motorized recreation when the gate is closed. The road crew will re-install the gate into the sand pit from Nasmith Brook Road. Snowmobiles will still be able to use the VAST trail in the winter. CVTA will also plant trees and do some grading of the path.

Chris moved to approve the landowner agreement. Andy seconded – all in favor.

Sidewalk Snow Removal: The Board received one bid, from Larry Lakus, for \$150 per storm. Andy moved to accept his bid. Chris seconded – all in favor.

Speed Patrol: Bobbi will invite a representative from the Vermont State Police to come to the next Selectboard meeting.

VT Alert: There will be a presentation for town officials on the VT Alert system. The presentation will be at the fire station. After the presentation, the Selectboard will decide whether or not to participate.

Planning Grant: Jon Groveman explained that the Planning Commission would like to apply for a grant to hire a consultant, who would help the Planning Commission look at current zoning and changes that would be required to help the town achieve our planning goals. Chris noted that the zoning map has only had minor changes since zoning was established in the early '70's, and it is time for a more comprehensive review. The cost for the consultant would be \$11,480; the Town's match would be \$1,148 and the grant would pay \$10,332. The Selectboard signed a resolution to authorize the Planning Commission to apply for the grant.

Resignation: Rich Phillips sent a letter of resignation from the Energy Committee. The Board regretfully accepted the resignation and expressed their thanks for his many years of service on the Board.

Stranahan Logging: Ed Jalbert told Chris the logger who bid last year is no longer around. The Town asked Bobbi to re-advertise the job. Bids will be due October 20.

VOSHA Citation: Bobbi notified the Selectboard that the Town received a citation for trenching at the Fire Department without a trench box and without training. The written citation will be sent in 4-6 weeks; we will find out then what the fine will be.

In the future any requests for the road crew to do special projects will need to be approved by the Selectboard.

The Selectboard will talk to the Fire Department about the drainage work that needs to be done at the fire station.

Selectboard Vacancy: The Selectboard appointed Laurie Colgan to fill the vacancy until Town Meeting.

Cemeteries: The Road Crew is going to begin work on the drainage in Eaton Cemetery.

Expenses, Permits & Payroll: Selectboard members read and signed reports for General Expenses and Payroll.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the September 15, 2015 Selectboard Meeting.
A True Record. Attest, _____, Town Clerk
